

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Train vs. Pedestrian

Location: RR Tracks just west of Anacapa St.

Date/Time Occurred: 02/29/20 @ 1655 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura City Fire, Amtrak Police

Victim: Adult Female, Unknown Age

Report #: 20-14771

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center was notified by Amtrak dispatch regarding a pedestrian being struck by an Amtrak train on the railroad tracks west of Anacapa St., in Ventura. Officers and Ventura City Fire Personnel arrived on scene and found the victim adjacent to the railroad tracks. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to the train conductor the northbound train was travelling at approximately 50-55 mph, when he saw the victim intentionally lay down on the tracks. All emergency attempts were made to stop the train, but the train did not stop in time and struck the victim.

The Ventura County Medical Examiner responded to the scene. The name of the victim was not immediately determined. Once the victim's identity has been confirmed, the coroner's office will notify the next of kin.

The train was delayed at the scene with approximately 100 passengers on board for about two hours while the investigation was being completed. No one else was injured as a result of this incident.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.